

B<sup>1</sup> *concl'd.*  
a plurality of teeth disposed substantially parallel to each other extending  
perpendicularly relative to the longitudinal direction of said band portion[.];

in the finished stator core, said plurality of strips being laminated and formed into  
a cylindrical shape[.]; and

end surfaces of said teeth in said prefinished stator core being provided with  
grooves perpendicular to the longitudinal direction of said band portion and recessed portions on  
both sides of said teeth near said ends, so as to form circumferentially projecting portions in said  
finished stator core.

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B<sup>2</sup>  
3. (Amended) The stator for an automotive alternator according to Claim 2, wherein  
said preformed stator coil is a flat planar shape prior to assembly with the finished stator core.

4. (Amended) The stator for an automotive alternator according to Claim 1, wherein  
said preformed stator coil is a flat planar shape prior to assembly with the finished stator coil.

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#### REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are all the claims pending in the application. By this amendment, Applicant  
is amending claims 1-4. Reconsideration and allowance of all claims are requested in view of  
the following remarks.

#### Formal Matters

The Examiner has not included a Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (Form  
PTO-948) with the Office Action (Paper No. 9 dated April 6, 2000). Formal drawings were  
submitted with the original specification. The Examiner has also not acknowledged the  
submission of corrected formal drawings filed with Applicant's previous Amendment on  
October 8, 1999. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge the